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# RANK, FILE IN A.F.L. PREPARE FIGHT ON GREEN PROPOSE 24 HR. NATIONWIDE STRIKE FOR HR7598

## Dunne, Minor, Darcy, Ashe At S. F. Rally Oct. 15

### S.F. COMMUNIST ELECTION DRIVE DESPITE POLICE

BAN ON ALL HALLS IN THE  
CITY IS ANSWERED BY  
MORE OUTDOOR MEETS

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—Denied, as a result of police intimidation, the use of the Tivoli Theatre for the big mass meeting at which Bill Dunne, Bob Minor, Sam Darcy and Harold Ashe will speak October 15th, preparations are being made for providing additional seating capacity and a public speaker system at the Workers' Center, 1223 Fillmore street.

The biggest gathering ever to crowd into that hall is expected to be on hand that night to cheer the two Communist candidates, Darcy and Ashe, and pledge their support to the campaign the Party is conducting despite intimidation of hall managers which have prevented the Communist Party being able to rent any hall of sufficient size for the various meetings planned during the campaign.

But many, too, will come to greet and hear those two veteran fighters in the ranks of labor—Bill Dunne and Bob Minor.

Dunne, a leading member of the Communist Party, is remembered throughout the West for his part in the fight in Butte, Montana, and elsewhere against the corruption and bureaucracy of the A. F. of L. which is strangling the trade union movement in this country.

Bob Minor, the man who organized the first Tom Mooney Defense Committee, and now like Dunne, a leading member of the Communist Party, is well known for the battles he has led on a hundred fronts in the vanguard of the militant working class. For more than a quarter of a century he has been one of America's greatest fighters for equality of Negro workers, for unemployed relief and other struggles. He has been inside a score of prisons for his work.

Following the big meeting here Minor and Harold Ashe, former state secretary of the Socialist Party and now Communist candidate for secretary of state, will tour California holding a series of election mass meetings in at least fourteen cities.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—The police assault on workers' rights of free speech and assembly which took place in Jefferson Park last Sunday afternoon, and the intimidation which has resulted in all main halls in the city being closed to Communist election meetings, will not go unchallenged!

Determined more than ever to spread the campaign, the Communist Party Election Campaign Committee will hold its meetings as open air rallies. A great number of workers will be present.

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### WHY GREEN ATTACKS THE COMMUNISTS IN THE AFL.

#### Statement of the Central Committee of the Communist Party To A. F. L. Members

The workers are facing new attacks on their wages at the hands of the steel trust, the auto magnates, the textile barons, and other big capitalists.

Does William Green, speaking for the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor, call upon the workers to fight these exploiters? No! He calls for a fight against the Communists.

Are the Communists responsible for the wage cuts? Not even Mr. Green would dare to make this charge. Every worker knows that the Communist Party always fights for more wages, for better conditions for the workers.

The bosses are making a drive to weaken the trade unions and to spread company unions. Does Mr. Green call upon the workers to make war on the bosses who force the workers into these company unions? No! He calls for a war against the Communists, who stand in the forefront of the fight against company unions.

The workers are facing a new winter of unemployment. Does Mr. Green call upon the workers to fight for unemployment insurance? No! He calls for war on Communists, who have initiated and developed the largest movement ever known in this country for unemployment insurance—for the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill. This Bill has already been endorsed by thousands of A. F. of L. local unions.

The bosses answer the workers' growing struggles with vigilante terror, deportations, arrests, clubbings, military and police brutality—in short, with fascist measures. Does Mr. Green call upon the workers to organize to resist this terror?

He calls upon the government to use more military power against the workers. He calls for the deportation of foreign-born workers; he calls for a war against the Communists, who are in the forefront of the defense campaign for the victims of this terror.

Mr. Green declares the intention of the Executive Council to drive the Communists out of the unions. He goes even further. He proposes to bring the government into the unions to aid in enforcing the strike-breaking policies of the bureaucrats. He invites the government to deport foreign-born workers who oppose him. He opens the doors wide for more violent gangster attacks to block the formation of rank and file opposition groups.

This is a denial of the most elementary, democratic rights of the A. F. of L. membership. It clearly shows that Mr. Green and his colleagues aim to introduce fascist methods as the means of suppressing the growing militancy of the rank and file.

By the attack on the Soviet Union contained in Mr. Green's statement, the Executive Council of the A. F. of L. takes place in the forefront of the war provocateurs against the Soviet Union. It is no accident that Mr. Green's attack on the U.S.S.R. coincides with the extreme war provocations of Japanese imperialism in the Far East. Green, like Hitler, attempts to divert the attention of the masses away from their own hunger and starvation, by slanderous provocations against the U.S.S.R. At the very moment when the masses are entering the struggle against war and fascism, the A. F. of L. Executive Council comes out openly with fascist measures and with war-mongering attacks on the U.S.S.R.

But all this does not solve the crisis. The army of unemployed is growing. Strike struggles and the fight for unemployment insurance are sweeping the entire country. The A. F. of L. workers are taking up the fight over the heads of their leaders. This says Mr. Green, is Communism.

The capitalists wish to further drive down wages, cut down relief to the unemployed, rob the workers of every right.

Mr. Green serves as their agent. He tries to carry out across the entire country the strike-breaking policies which he applied in San Francisco. The vigilante and fascist bands worked together with the police, and with the support of the A. F. of L. bureaucracy to outlaw Communists, in deportation drives, in curtailing the civil rights, even of liberals and intellectuals, with the aim of breaking the workers' resistance. Mr. Green would apply such policies throughout the entire trade union movement.

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—Vote Communist!

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Tune In Radio  
Station KTM  
and KTAB  
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KTAB (San Francisco  
Region) Monday, October 8,  
at 9:30 p.m.—

EDWARD HARRIS, can-  
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District 23; for 25 years a  
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ORGANIZED LABOR  
SHOULD VOTE COM-  
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PETTIS PERRY, candi-  
date for Lieutenant-Govern-  
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speaker over Radio Station  
KTM on Wednesday night,  
October 10, at 10 p.m.

One week later, October  
17, same time, same station,  
Harold J. Ashe, candidate  
for Secretary of State, will  
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To sustain this contention it is necessary to quote from the speech of Edward Vandeleur, chairman of the San Francisco Labor Council to the 54th Annual Convention of the A. F. of L.

Vandeleur said in his opening remarks to the convention: "San Francisco, as you know, recently has had some trouble, but I am very proud to state to you that we returned our organizations to their employment without any trouble, and that all contractual relations with their employers were saved. There was never another case of that in the history of the world and it shows the solidarity and the united strength

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of labor in San Francisco, of which no other city in the United States can boast."

Vandeleur is by no possible stretch of imagination an active advocate of the general strike as a main weapon of organized labor. But because he holds a position in the labor movement about which, even with the almost complete lack of democracy in the A. F. of L. and its affiliated organizations, the rank and file of the membership nevertheless have something to say, Vandeleur does not dare to tell the working class in the Bay counties and the organized workers of the United States, poorly represented as they are by the official delegates to the 54th Annual Convention of the A. F. of L., something that these workers themselves do not believe, i.e., that the strikers and unions on the West Coast in the maritime trades and those involved in the general strike in the Bay counties were defeated.

#### \* Scharrenberg's Pretense.

Now we come to one "Mr. Paul Scharrenberg," secretary of the California State Federation of Labor and leading light in the International Seamen's Union—whose members took an active part in both the maritime workers' strike and in the Bay counties general strike, showing a really remarkable sense of the necessity of working class solidarity in the unity and militancy with which they fought side by side against

the open shop drive of the water-front employers, with members of the Marine Workers' Industrial Union.

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#### \* That Little Adventure.

"I am again happy to report that they did not break the strike. The men who walked out walked back with their heads erect, proud and dignified with solid ranks, and there is not a union in San Francisco that has not added to its membership since that little adventure a few months ago."

The Communist Party of California, its leadership and its official organ, the Western Worker, it seems to this writer, can very well be satisfied with the official confirmation of its estimate of the open shop drive of the water-front employers, with members of the Marine Workers' Industrial Union.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Oct. 5.—Ignoring all the testimony proving their innocence, and the obvious prejudices and misconduct of Judge Horton in the frame-ups of Clarence Norris and Heywood Patterson, the Alabama Supreme Court yesterday denied the appeal of these two Scottsboro Negro boys. In upholding the convictions, the court set date for them to be electrocuted as December 7th.

The International Labor Defense will immediately launch into an intensive campaign to save these boys by carrying the appeal to the United States Supreme Court which on November 6th, 1933, upheld the previous appeal when mass pressure of millions of workers all over the world was roused to save the boys.

Re-trials were ordered but again the lynch courts of the white ruling class of the South put through their frame-ups.

Mass protest meetings and a campaign to raise funds for the appeal are being planned all over the country.

## Betrayers of General Strike Brag at A. F. L. Meet

(By BILL DUNNE.)

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## East of the Rockies

## Neighborhood Aids Authors' Picket Line

NEW YORK, Oct. 2.—Rough handling by police failed to break the picket lines of striking authors and clerks around the Macaulay Publishing Company on Fourth avenue. Workers from neighboring loft and office buildings swelled the ranks of the strikers. Police drove them from one corner to another and back and forth across the street but were unable to break the ranks.

## C. P. Negro Nominee To Address Fair

NORFOLK, Va., Sept. 28.—Alexander Wright, Negro longshoreman and nominee of the Communist Party for United States Senator, has been invited to address the Suffolk Negro fair, an annual affair which is attended by between 15,000 and 20,000 Negro workers.

## C. P. Tells of Past Election Successes

NEW YORK, N. Y., Sept. 30.—Going into the 1934 election campaign, the Communist Party election campaign committee pointed out that already Communist mayors and administrators have been elected in Crosby, Minnesota; and Platt, Michigan; Communist candidates in Yorkville, Ohio; Nevadale, Ky.; Carpenter, Ky.; Tromad, Minn.; five counties in the Mesaba Range, and Taylor Springs, Ill. In Helper, Utah, the Communist mayoral candidate came within 30 votes of being elected, and actually was elected but counted out.

## Bethlehem S.P.-C.P. Form United Front

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Sept. 28.—The Socialist and Communist parties in this steel town yesterday signed a united front agreement for joint struggle for building militant trade unions, for unemployment insurance, and for defense of workers' rights. The agreement was based on a fight against sell-outs such as the sell-out of the textile strike. During the textile strike here, Socialist and Communist workers fought together on the picket lines and in the flying squads.

The resolution calls for weekly check-up meetings on the progress of the joint struggle, and for building a militant rank-and-file opposition in the local of the American Federation of Silk Workers. This move is especially important following upon Norman Thomas' statement, the day previous, rejecting a united front with the Communist Party to fight against the textile sell-out, and covering up Gorman's betrayal of the textile strike, for it indicates how the rank and file of the Socialist Party is breaking away from the leadership's policy of cooperating with the A. F. of L. bureaucrats and takers.

## Morro Castle Had Explosives Aboard!

NEW YORK, N. Y., Sept. 28.—Three tons of explosives and arms, earmarked for the Cuban government in its bloody fight against the masses of Cuban workers, were in the hold of the Morro Castle on its death trip, according to an exclusive documented story released in today's Daily Worker. These documents revealed that the Ward Line consistently shipped these arms and explosives in compartments where they are not legally allowed to be. The Ward Line officials consistently denied that any arms or explosives were on the Morro Castle. The Federal Laboratories, Inc., chief shippers of arms to the Cuban government, had a monopoly on the sale of tear gas and vomit gas to the San Francisco police during the recent general strike.

## A Few Facts About Millinery Union (A. F. of L.) Local 48

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 4.—Since last March the International Millinery Union has gained control through the cooperation of the bosses, over the workers; but the central expresses itself in the name of a dictatorship. Mr. Isidor Shapiro, whose reputation ranks with those of the underworld, and who was expelled from the Industrial Union in New York because of his appropriation of workers' hard-earned money for his own personal purposes, is the sole dictator.

He was imposed as an organizer of Local 48 over the protests of the workers. The arguments of the officials of the national office were that as long as they pay the organizer they are going to appoint him, and so he remained. He has laid his paws on the workers and rules in full accordance with the A. F. of L. tactics of misleadership.

In order to fight more effectively for better conditions in the shops where a unified front of all the workers was essential, members of the Industrial Union in these shops applied for membership in the International, and while the workers in the shops welcomed this move for unity, the officials did everything to prevent unity.

## \* Keeps Out Militants.

Shapiro has put the members of the Industrial Union through a third-degree test, and demanded that they denounce the Industrial Union. Of course, that demand was rejected by our militant workers and Mr. Shapiro ruled them out. At the same time, when a boss called up the International Union, asking for the address of a worker, who by the way was willing to join the International but was not admitted, and who was temporarily out of the shop because of lack of work, Mr. Shapiro answered cynically: "That worker does not belong to our union and it does not matter if he stays out for a few days."

## \* Refuse Struggle.

At their membership meetings the rank and file have raised the question time and again of admission into the International of Industrial Union members, with whom they work in the shops. The officials, however, outmaneuvered them and the question remained unanswered. That action results, of course, in a disunity of the International leaders. Some of the workers of the Industrial Union received an increase in wages, and as class

## Urge Protest To Halt Deportation of Oscar Mannisto

PORLAND, Ore., Oct. 3.—On Monday, September 24, Federal Judge Fee ordered the immigration department to file an answer to the writ of habeas corpus obtained for Oscar Mannisto, within two days. The defense then had to file an answer to the reasons the next day and Sunday, September 29, a hearing was conducted before Fee.

Before a practically workers' courtroom the judge refused the writ of habeas corpus and Mannisto is due to be deported on the next deportation train.

Telegrams, night letters, resolutions—to Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins, Washington, D. C., are now the last resort. Legal trickeries are useless and mass pressure is the only thing that can help—free Oscar Mannisto from deportation to fascist Poland.

## Why Rank and File Fights In AFL

## Weinstock Addresses Rank and File Mass Meet

Monday night, October 1st, the A. F. of L. convention opened in San Francisco, a huge mass meeting at Eagles Hall thundered their applause at the program and speakers of the A. F. of L. Trade Union Committee for Unemployment Insurance and Relief—the leaders of the rank and file movement in the A. F. of L.

Earlier attempts of the police to prevent the meeting by intimidating the hall manager failed. Following are parts of the speech of Louis Weinstock, national secretary of the Committee, which brought great enthusiasm from the crowd of workers present:

"This rank and file organization in the A. F. of L. challenges the Executive Council of the A. F. of L. for the past three years and the previous programs. It represents hundreds of thousands of hours of rank and file A. F. of L. workers and it says that the Executive Council is not the true representative of the A. F. of L. rank and file. We, and only we, have the right to speak in the name of this organization. . . .

"In the past 12 months the facts prove that the rank and file in the local unions are disgusted with the leadership of the Executive Council. It is expressed at the local unions and established in hundreds of small and large strikes which have taken place in the U. S. What happened in the A. F. of L.? Did Wm. Green go to the left? did Matthew Woll become radicalized or did the rest of those in the Executive Council become class-conscious at once?

"On the contrary, these people have not changed their policies but the members of our organization of the A. F. of L. have gone over the heads of our international officials and it did not wait any longer for censures of strikes, for the good advice of Wm. Green, Ryan and other International leaders, but they have taken steps which have resulted in the tremendous movement which has followed in the last twelve months. . . .

\* \* \* \* \* Workers Walking Up.

"The proof is that hundreds of thousands are wise to the leaders of the A. F. of L. and it is merely a question of time when the rank and file organization will fight for every single resolution introduced by this rank and file convention and will challenge

"It is timely to mention that the A. F. of L. convention which is supposed to be our convention, opened this morning in this city. Who opened this convention? The militant leaders of the longshoremen or the militant leaders of the Southern textile workers or the militant leaders of the Northern textile workers, of Minneapolis,

. . . . .

Comrade Toby painted three attractive signs reading "Hear the Communist Program Over Station KTAB Every Monday Night From 8:15 to 8:30." Comrade Palmers did the rest by providing a truck and hauling the signs all over East Oakland where they attracted much favorable attention. The fact that the radio station later found it necessary to change the broadcasting time to 9:30-9:45 every Monday evening in no way detracts from the splendid cooperation of Comrades

Toby and Palmers.

The East Oakland subsection

of the Communist Party candidates will be on the air every Monday evening until election time and Oakland workers are co-operating splendidly in advertising it. This picture tells how they are doing it.

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SEEING RED!

By MICHAEL QUIN

It may have been a mistake or it might be sheer impertinence and disrespect. The fact remains that in the San Francisco Chronicle of Wednesday, October 3rd, on page 6, there is a picture of a Scotty Dog labeled mayor Angelo J. Rossi. And to make matters worse, on page 19 there is a picture of mayor Angelo J. Rossi, a "Prize Dog which will be exhibited at the Nine Club show."

If the Chronicle is trying to be funny, this is a low kind of humor. Possibly the editors have placed their bets on some other canine and are using this trick to discredit the Scotty Dog in the coming show. Certainly there is no case on record of this dog ever having bitten or barked at the working class. It has never requested the governor to call out troops against striking workers nor has it ever advocated violence as a means of breaking a strike.

Although both are obedient and well trained, they have different owners. It can be proven that the Dog is obedient to its master, Lois King. Whereas, everyone knows that Rossi is obedient to his masters in the San Francisco Industrial Association.

This vicious oppression of a canine minority must be stamped out in its inception. If this precedent is allowed to go unchallenged, every Lap Dog in the state might be accused of being up to no good. Every jowly Bull Dog will be accused of being merriam.

Workers have been complaining about the political telephone service lately. They report that in trying to get Unemployment Insurance by dialing HR-7598 in the Democratic telephone booth they get nothing but busy signals or "the party does not answer." In the Republican booth they are informed that the line has been disconnected. One worker reports that he found a booth marked: EXTRA SPECIAL UPTON SINCLAIR EPIC DEMOCRATIC TELEPHONE CO. But when he dialed the number he was connected with the County Poor Farm. There is a booth marked: SOCIALIST PARTY LINE, but if you put your nickel in the thing it will play The Horst Wester-Sel Song.

To avoid all errors, use only the COMMUNIST PARTY BOOTH. Look up Unemployment Insurance in the Communist Party Platform and you will find the number, HR-7598, a bill which provides for unemployment and social insurance at the expense of the employers and the government, and immediate cash payment of the veterans' bonus. This is the only system that has a direct line out of the crisis and to a workers' and farmers' government.

Darcy For Governor  
DATES SET FOR  
FIVE FRAME-UP  
TRIALS IN S. F.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 2.—The trials of Mark Thornton and Edward Johnson, arrested at O'Farrell and Fillmore at a Communist election street meeting in the heart of the Negro residential section. This meeting will be held under the joint auspices of the Communist Party, Young Communist League, and International Labor Defense.

On the same evening, preceding his radio talk, Perry will be principal speaker at a supper arranged by the International Labor Defense of which he is organized for District 14.

At 5 p.m. on Thursday, October 11, Perry and Brown will speak at an open air mass meeting at 49th Place and Central Avenue, in the heart of the Negro residential section. This meeting will be held under the joint auspices of the Communist Party, Young Communist League, and International Labor Defense.

The remainder of their tour is: Oct. 6—Bakersfield. Oct. 8—San Bernardino. Oct. 9—San Diego (852 8th Avenue). Oct. 13—Santa Barbara. Oct. 15—Salinas. Oct. 16—San Jose. Oct. 17—Oakland. Oct. 18—Oakland and Richmond. Oct. 19—Sacramento.

The trial of Wm. Newman and George Gains, also arrested on May 30th, will take place October 7th and 8th before Judge Ames.

## SAN FRANCISCO WORKERS

HEAR

Sam Bob Bill Harold  
DARCY MINOR DUNNE ASHE  
Communist Former Militant Communist Candidate for Mayor of N. Y.

A Rousing  
Election Rally  
WORKERS CENTER  
1223 Fillmore St.

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Bob Minor, Ashe  
To Address Mass  
Meeting in L. A.

BIG MEETING PREPARED  
IN LOS ANGELES AND  
OTHER CITIES

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 1.—Robert Minor, nationally prominent leader in the Communist Party, will appear in Los Angeles on the night of Wednesday, October 24, at a mass meeting at the Mason Opera House, 127 S. Broadway.

Minor will be accompanied by Harold J. Ashe, candidate for secretary of state, at this meeting and throughout his tour of the state in the interest of the Communist campaign in California.

Efforts are being made to have Minor's entire speech broadcast over station KTM. A regular 15-minute broadcast scheduled at that time would be lengthened for the occasion.

Minor and Ashe will speak in: Oct. 15—San Francisco. Oct. 16—Stockton. Oct. 17—Fresno. Oct. 19—San Bernardino. Oct. 22—San Diego. Oct. 26—Santa Barbara.

On October 25 these speakers will broadcast over the radio from Los Angeles, and on October 29 Robert Minor will be heard in a talk on "The Sinclair Illusion" over radio KTAG in Oakland at 9:30 p.m.

—Vote Communist!

Perry and Brown On  
Tour, Speak In L. A.  
Friday, October 12th

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 27.—Fifteen organizations sent 27 representatives to the first meeting of the Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born, called to fight against the attempted victimization of foreign-born workers by the rising fascist movement of California.

Plans call for organization of a mass meeting, with prominent speakers; a delegation to Secretary of Labor Perkins to protest the recent terror and demand the release of all those held for deportation because of strike or working class activity; committee to visit the nine workers still held in Angel Island for deportation following their arrest during the red raids; and broadening the mass base of the Committee.

Organizations represented at the meeting included the Filipino Christian Endeavor, Filipino Workers' League, Jewish Mothers' Alliance, ICOR, Jewish Workers' Club, South Slav Education Club of Oakland, Italian Workers' Club, Greek Workers' Educational Club, and several branches of the International Labor Defense.

On the same evening, preceding his radio talk, Perry will be principal speaker at a supper arranged by the International Labor Defense of which he is organized for District 14.

At 5 p.m. on Thursday, October 11, Perry and Brown will speak at an open air mass meeting at 49th Place and Central Avenue, in the heart of the Negro residential section. This meeting will be held under the joint auspices of the Communist Party, Young Communist League, and International Labor Defense.

The remainder of their tour is: Oct. 6—Bakersfield. Oct. 8—San Bernardino. Oct. 9—San Diego (852 8th Avenue). Oct. 13—Santa Barbara. Oct. 15—Salinas. Oct. 16—San Jose. Oct. 17—Oakland. Oct. 18—Oakland and Richmond. Oct. 19—Sacramento.

For further information, communicate with 1005 Market street, Room 410.

—Vote Communist!

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Go To Darcy-For-  
Governor Clubs  
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Following are locations of the 25 Darcy-For-Governor Clubs. Locate one in your city nearest you and go there for Communist Party platforms, election campaign material, literature. If you have questions, take them there. Make them your headquarters:

LOS ANGELES—  
321 East 5th St.  
4822 West Adams Blvd.  
3015 South San Pedro St.

SAN FRANCISCO—  
1846 Union St.  
1292 Valencia St.  
1197 Stockton St.  
578½ Haight St.

BERKELEY—  
3021 Adeline.

WEST OAKLAND—  
1621 7th St.

EAST OAKLAND—  
2258 E. 14th St.

SAN DIEGO—  
852 8th Ave.

BAKERSFIELD—  
18th and M Sts.

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—Vote Communist!

Defense Group  
For Foreign Born  
Formed In S. F.

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## Together Again

Archbishop Hanna, who was brought into the A. F. of L. Convention to pray that strife might cease, and Edward Vandeleur, who does his best to see that strikes do cease. His infamous betrayal of the General Strike, into the hands of the "Arbitration" Board of which Hanna is a member, has won him acclaim by the A. F. of L. fat-bosses—and the hatred of the working class.

S. F. COMMUNIST ELECTION  
DRIVE DESPITE POLICE BANS

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every Sunday afternoon in Jefferson Square at Turk and Laguna streets, in other parts of the city at various times, and in Marshall Square in the Civic Center on Sunday afternoon on November 4, the Sunday before election day.

Notification of this was sent to Chief of Police Quinn in the following letter:

October 2, 1934.  
Chief of Police,  
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir: Due to the intimidation practiced against our Party, and either openly or covertly countenanced and aided by the Police Department, we have been unable to obtain the rental of a single substantially sized hall in the city for our election meetings.

This is obviously aimed to hinder the exercise of our electoral rights as a legal political party in the state of California.

Being unable to obtain halls, we are now forced to hold our political rallies on the streets.

We wish to officially notify you of this fact, and that we will hold election meetings as will be present.

Yours truly,  
MINI CARSON,  
Communist Election Campaign Manager.

The Communist Party accepts the challenge of the Industrial Association who, through their flunkies, the police, have defied the Party to continue its campaign in San Francisco like any other political party legally entitled to the ballot. The answer will be thundered from thousands of working class throats in Jefferson Park, Turk and Laguna streets, at 2 p.m. on Sunday, October 7. Here a monster open-air mass meeting will be addressed by Mini Carson, Communist candidate for U. S. Congress, 4th District, and Karl Hanna, Communist candidate for State Assembly from 22nd District. Every worker and sympathizer who thinks free speech and free assembly are worth fighting for will be present.

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Salinas, Bakersfield  
want a 6-Page Western Worker!

When the list of new subs was made up for the last issue, Salinas and Bakersfield both had fulfilled their quotas in the sub drive!

That's the spirit.

But these other quotas have gone up.

Look at this:

CITY	Quotas	Expirals	New Quotas
Bellflower	10	1	11
Berkeley	43	5	48
Eureka	27	1	28
Hollywood	21	1	22
Long Beach	21	4	25
Los Angeles	383	19	402
Lynwood	5	1	6
Modesto	7	1	8
Petaluma	15	2	26
Richmond	24	2	32
Sacramento	30	2	32
San Francisco	256	9	265
San Mateo	4	1	5
San Pedro	20	1	21
Stockton	11	1	12

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In next issue the new subs turned in this week will be announced. Will your section be listed? It had better be—if you want a 6-page paper.

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The Western Worker agent in Los Angeles will handle the quotas there from now until the end of the drive.

These figures cover the Los Angeles sub-sections, in detail, from September 1 to September 22:

SUB-SECTION	Quota	Subs to Sept. 22	% of Quota
Centenella Valley	15	6	40%
Firestone	30	10	33%
Boyle Heights	143	43	30%
Harbor Cities	30	9	30%
Southern Pacific	30	6	20%
Pasadena	25	5	20%
Hollywood	60	11	18%
Downtown	40	4	10%
Bay Cities	37	2	6%
San Fernando Valley	25	1	4%
Goodyear	30	1	3%
Compton	25	0	0%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>20%</b>

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Anti-Labor Judge  
Gives Unemployed  
Worker 15 Months

(By TOM PATTERSON.)

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 29.—Relentlessly pursuing its vengeance against the unemployed who dared to demonstrate for better relief last June. First in front of the Law Building, capitalist Justice has just added Joseph Toth to the list of that day's prison victims along with James McShann, Harold Hendricks, John Sanders and Earl Timney.

Toth was sentenced by the ex-Times lawyer Judge Arthur Crum to 15 months in jail when he came up for sentence Tuesday after his conviction last Friday on the retrial. Crum is the same judge who sentenced the other two defendants up to two years after the original trial, the same judge who earlier sentenced Sam Jones to 150 days for "stealing" gas and electricity, the same judge who sentenced Ezra Chase to six months and John Hester to a year for the same "crimes."

\* Helped Prosecution.

He ignored objections of the defense persistently. He upheld virtually every provocative remark of the insolent prosecutor, William Christensen, and those he did not uphold he let go uncensored. He fined Leo Gallagher for objecting to his obvious favoritism. Numerous times he threatened Gallagher with more fines. He threatened Attorney Grover Johnson with contempt when Johnson moved that Toth's trial be held in another court. Time and again he told James McShann, who defended himself, not to ask questions which brought out the class bias on which the charges were based.

This conviction and sentence of Toth which, like the other convictions, is being appealed, leaves only one yet to be tried on charges growing out of the unprovoked attack of police on a mass delegation of unemployed last June 1. The remaining one is Arthur Milton, 69, who is untried only because he is still flat on his back in a Glendale hospital, still unrecovred from a broken thigh, a broken leg, a broken arm and internal injuries.

\* Workers Took Cops' Clubs.

Small wonder that capitalist justice is pursuing these workers to the bitter end. The demonstration of last June 1 carried with it a tremendously significant threat. Its determined solidarity as a mass delegation would not soon have been forgotten even if the police had not attacked it. All testimony except that of some of the police and welfare department stooges who contradicted each other showed that the workers had complied with all the stipulations of the police in appointing their delegation to go to the welfare office of Wagner-Lewis.

Testimony showed conclusively that the police, not the workers, started the fighting. But testimony also shows, and this is why

## Editorial Column

Why We Demonstrate in Civic Center  
November 4th

Despite all the legal rights "guaranteed" by laws that police are supposed to uphold so strongly, the Communist Party, in seeking to rent halls for big election meetings in San Francisco, finds that managers of every hall of any size have already been frightened into refusing.

This intimidation is clearly aimed at preventing the Communist Party from exercising its rights as a legal political party in California.

Since no halls can be obtained, the campaign will go on with open air meetings in the parks, on the street corners, and a final election rally on the Marshall Green in the Civic Center November 4th.

This intimidation is but a continuation of the recent raids and mass arrests. The same force that halted that violence—mass protest—must be rallied to this renewed struggle. Watch for announcements of the mass meetings and BE THERE.

With greater struggles facing the workers than ever before as the sixth winter of the crisis approaches, and with every effort being made to swing the working class vote into the safe channels of the Democrat Sinclair or back of Merriam's fake unemployment relief move, the bosses declare the voice of the Communist Party exposing these maneuvers, and rallying the workers to a real program that they want to hear and follow, must not be heard. And the police forget their laws and obey these orders.

Already outdoor meetings have been stopped. The attack on the meeting in Jefferson Park last Sunday when more than 500 workers battled for their rights of free speech and assembly is but one example.

But the workers built the streets and parks. THEY ARE OURS. AND WE WILL USE THEM.

An Open Letter To District Attorney  
Neil McAllister of Sacramento

Sacramento County Jail,  
October 2, 1934.

Today's afternoon paper carried a sensational story emanating from your office to the effect that Wm. Hanks, your alleged star witness in your case against us, was forced to leave town at the point of a gun by Communist sympathizers.

We think this story is pure slanderous fabrication designed as a publicity stunt, first, to cast public suspicion upon us and upon Communists in general; secondly, to keep your name before the voting public as part of your political campaign for re-election, and thirdly, to have an alibi for not producing this thoroughly discredited labor agent-provocateur on the witness stand in our coming trial on Criminal Syndicalism.

We categorically deny that Wm. Hanks or any other of your Grand Jury witnesses have been molested or threatened by any Communist or Communist sympathizer. It is common knowledge that Communists, as contrasted with anarcho-syndicalists and capitalist "vigilantes" and "patriots," do not believe in practicing individual acts of violence or terrorism. We challenge you or anyone else to produce evidence to the contrary.

To support our contentions we must insist that you take the following actions:

1—Return Wm. Hanks to Sacramento (in case he is really outside the city).  
2—Place Hanks and other prosecution witnesses under bond to insure their appearance in court to face our cross-examination.

18 CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM PRISONERS.  
Signed—PAT CHAMBERS.  
JACK WARNICK.

## How A.F.L. Officials Get Potbellied

From September 1, 1933, to August 31, 1934, the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor reports it collected \$133,615.31 in per capita tax for aid to the striking local and federal trade unions. It spent exactly \$1,084 for this purpose.

Out of this sum, \$1,000 went to a lawyer for giving advice to the A. F. of L. local during the Toledo strike. The other \$84 was given to the Shingle Weavers in Vancouver, B. C. These expenditures cover one of the greatest strike periods in American labor history, with over one million workers striking.

AS AGAINST THIS, THE SALARIES OF THE OFFICE OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON TOTALLED \$206,592.11.

Are we justified in calling the A. F. of L. officials bureaucrats and fakers?

## WHY BILL GREEN ATTACKS THE COMMUNISTS IN THE A. F. OF L.

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struggle, the employed and unemployed won concessions from the capitalists. Where Green and the bureaucracy were able to carry through their policies, the workers were defeated. The case of the auto, steel and textile strikers most clearly illustrate the results of Green's strike-breaking policies.

We do not attack Green and the A. F. of L. because they are not Communists. We attack them precisely because they betray daily the most elementary economic interests of the workers in the factories and of the unemployed. Their policy of working hand and glove with the government, their insistence on arbitration, their reliance on class collaboration with the employers, leads invariably to the disarming of the workers in the face of the bosses' attacks. It leads to the victory of the bosses.

Mr. Green declares that the Communists wish to destroy the trade union movement. This is a lie! The policies of Green and Co., their strike-breaking tactics, the gangsters in the unions, their co-operation with the police, the bosses and the government; the destruction of workers' democracy in the unions, the Jim-crow and discrimination against Negroes, their splitting policies in the unions—these are the things that weaken and undermine the very foundations of the trade unions. These are the things that prevent the millions of workers from joining the A. F. of L. unions, that prevent the smashing of company unions, that prevent the unification of the A. F. of L. unions together with the independent unions and the unions affiliated with the Trade Union Unity League.

If it were not for the present rotten and servile leadership at the head of the A. F. of L., there is no doubt that during the last eighteen months it would have been possible to have built a unified trade union movement with ten to fifteen million workers in its ranks. The workers could then have had a powerful consolidated working class weapon with which to wage the struggle for their daily bread.

This is what the Communists fight for in every union in which we work—the A. F. of L., T.U.U.L., or independent unions. It is our aim to establish a powerful trade union movement, embracing all workers, trade union movement with real workers' democracy, freed from gangsterism and corruption, organized on an industrial basis, guaranteeing complete equality to the Negro toilers.

Communists have great confidence in the American workers. We see the possibility to developing a powerful trade union movement, a movement of twenty million or more workers. These would not be Communist trade unions. We Communists are opposed to unions composed only of Communists. We favor a broad trade union movement which contains all workers, of all political opinions, Socialists, Communists, Democrats, Republicans, workers without party affiliations. Workers of all religious beliefs and of no religion, of all colors and races should be joined together in one powerful trade union movement. All should be united in one aim: How to strengthen the power of the workers in the fight for the interests of labor. The Communists know that the majority of the workers of the United States will only become supporters of Communism on the basis of their own experiences and on the basis of our ability in a comradely fashion to convince them of the necessity for Communism.

The leaders of this united trade union movement must be honest, militant workers, elected through the exercise of true workers' democracy in the unions. Every trade union post, from top to bottom, must be filled through democratic elections by the workers.

When the Communists fight against the Green leadership, it is with the aim of securing a united trade union movement under workers' control, capable of waging the struggles of the workers for their daily needs.

If hundreds of thousands of workers in the recent period did join the A. F. of L. unions, it was precisely because of the militant activity of the rank and file workers and their chosen

## It Can't Be Done.

—BY COLLY.



## THE AUCTIONEERS OF LABOR

(By MICHAEL QUIN)

## An Afternoon At the National Convention of the A. F. of L.

Beneath an enormous smiling portrait of President Roosevelt, framed in American flags, with smaller, clumsily painted pictures of Samuel Gompers and William Green to right and to left, the demagogues who are running the show of the American Federation of Labor National Convention are performing the difficult oratorical task of binding labor hand and foot under the guise of leading it in battle. William Green, chairman of the circus, pounds with a huge gavel, like an auctioneer with labor standing on the block and capital bidding. The delegates, spread out over the large floor space, lounge at the long tables, clean their finger nails, smoke the cigarettes which advertising agents of tobacco companies are throwing around free of charge, or else reading the copies of the Socialist Party "New Leader" which art placed before every seat. Three workers distributing Communist Party election leaflets and selling the Rank and File Federationist in front of the hall earlier in the afternoon were arrested.

## \* Elegant Oratory.

These are the early days of the convention. The delegates are undergoing a barrage of demagogic speeches from the "better class" of labor leaders. One large, jowly "delegate" sitting in front

of me fell blissfully asleep during the long, carefully rehearsed oration of John Stokes, the fraternal delegate from England. Two delegates sitting next to me, typical examples of the old time San Francisco laborites who are rapidly disappearing from the scene, paid no attention to the speech whatsoever. They had business of their own. They were discussing a Roman Catholic funeral they had attended that morning. Little was said of the man in the coffin, but both of them marveled at and admired one of the pall bearers who had been alive at one time to have drunk five bottles of whiskey at a sitting.

## \* The Storm Lies Ahead.

The demagogues are handling their language in their speeches with the studied precision of surgeons wielding sharp and dangerous instruments. The real business of the convention has not yet begun. Much depends on whether or not they can sell themselves during these preliminary days of speechmaking. Most of the delegates are handicapped, but there are plenty of dark horses on the floor. There are great, ominous gaps in the applause, standing ovations do not find the whole floor standing. The 103 resolutions already turned in by delegates, which will come up for discussion later, include many embarrassing items: unemployment insurance, freedom of political belief, a resolution condemning William Green for siding with the employers during the marine and general strikes, a resolution in support of the Unemployment Insurance Bill, HR 7598, and many others.

## \* Boasting Of Failures.

Every speaker is forced to acknowledge the desperate plight of the working class, the seriousness of the crisis and the imminence of war. And yet every speaker launches into flowery eulogies over the tremendous advance and achievements of the labor movement under their reactionary leadership. Achievements! When they have already acknowledged that the working class in all capitalist countries is worse off today than it has been at any other time in history! They speak at great length of the miserable conditions prevailing in shops a hundred years ago and carefully avoid mentioning present day injustices.

They pay emotional lip service to labor martyrs of fifty or a hundred years past and not one word is mentioned about Tom Mooney, Billings or the Scottsboro Boys. They bemoan long dead heroes of the workers struggle who gave their lives a generation ago and are silent about the victims of Bloody Thursday on the San Francisco waterfront a few weeks ago, the sixteen killed in the textile strike only a few weeks ago, and the countless workers who have been murdered by the bosses throughout the whole crisis.

And eloquence is not lacking. But this eloquence is the eloquence of the stage and not the eloquence of life. Anyone accustomed to hearing the real voice of labor speaking through rank and file leaders will recognize the cleverly designed, carefully worded speeches of the fakers as manufactured products of the bosses' propaganda plant.

## \* Stolen Thunder.

The fat delegate opposite me has jerked into wakefulness. He is blinking around him in bewilderment. Perhaps he was dreaming that he was back in West Corn Lake, Indiana, before the demagogues handicapped him for a train ride to the land of orange blossoms, sunshine and general strikes.

But how can they do this and still serve their masters? This is endeavored by a very clever invention that follows two lines:

1. By utilizing all the militant phraseology of the Communists (at the same time raising the "red scare") but making the object of all this military arbitration and patriotic support of the Roosevelt anti-labor administration instead of the actual winning of demands.

2. By vehemently affirming many of the ultimate aims of the Communist trade union program, but carefully avoiding any mention as to what means might be taken to attain these ends.

## \* Fight War With Talk.

William Green verbally condemns war and declares the trade unions to be the one agency capable of preventing or stopping another slaughter. He does this

in the session has adjourned. The hall is filled with the shuffling of feet. The delegates are pouring out. Not a word has been said about the marine and general strikes. Not a word about the various "arbitrations" festering all over the country. Not a word about the upholsterers' strike which has just been called up and down the coast. An afternoon of generalities to the thumping of Green's gavel. The medicine men of International labor going through the sacred motions of a studied ritual. But tomorrow there will be a boat ride.

Congress Against War and Fascism Opens; 13 Arrested

## BULLETIN

NEW YORK, Oct. 1.—With more delegates coming in constantly from the fields, the mines, and the cities of every part of the nation, more than 3,000 delegates had already registered on the opening day of the second U. S. Congress Against War and Fascism.

Representing the determination of men and women from all walks of life to fight against war and fascism, the congress will lay out a program to weld that sentiment into a weapon of immediate action. Every indication is that the congress will be more successful than the one last year when 2,600 attended.

CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—Eleven men and two women, delegates to the Second U. S. Congress Against War and Fascism, were arrested here yesterday for demonstrating against fascism on the campus of the University of Chicago. The demonstration, composed of college students and congress delegates, was staged in front of the International House. There a group of honor students from fascist Italy were quartered. Twenty police officers were sent to break it up. While the arrested delegates were being booked at the city jail, Mayor E. J. Kelly of Chicago was presenting the fascist students with the keys to the city.

The great Coliseum was thronged with thousands of workers when the congress opened last night. They represented organizations from every part of the country with an estimated membership of three millions.

Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, U.S.A.; General Victor A. Yakhontoff, former czarist official; "Mother" Ella Reeve Bloor, veteran labor organizer; and Mabel Byrd, Negro social worker, were among the first speakers.

Representatives are present from trade union locals, National Guard regiments, Negro groups, working class organizations, churches and liberal groups.

## UPHOLSTERERS STRIKE TIES COAST CITIES

3,000 OUT IN SEATTLE, LOS ANGELES AND SAN FRANCISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 4.—

Disregarding the stalling tactics of the A. F. of L. officials to avert a walkout, the upholsterers are now out on a Coastwide strike since Tuesday morning. Five hundred members of San Francisco Local No. 28, Upholsterers' International Union of North America, walked out Monday in the face of King's false report that the Los Angeles workers were not prepared to go out on strike. Their action was immediately followed in Los Angeles the next morning, and reports were received from Seattle, Portland and Tacoma locals that they would go out on strike immediately.

More than 3,000 men are affected, including 1,500 in Los Angeles and over 1,000 in Tacoma, Seattle and Portland.

In San Francisco a rank-and-file strike committee made up of one or two workers from every shop was elected to conduct the strike. The demands are: a wage of \$1 an hour and a thirty-five hour week.

Immediately following the direct action of the workers, the San Francisco Furniture Manufacturers' Council here got into action

## L. A. WORKERS MOURN DEATH OF EVA COHEN

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 29.—On Friday, September 28th, at the Co-operative Center in Los Angeles, young and adult workers gathered to pay tribute to their comrade, Eva Cohen, who through death, had left an irreparable gap in the ranks of the militant young workers of Los Angeles.

At the age of 21, Eva Cohen was already a tried revolutionary, with years of militant activity behind her. She graduated from the ranks of the Young Pioneers into the Young Communist League, and from then on maintained a constant deepening of the crisis, which they could produce at all, for the bill only covers those who are working at the time it goes into effect.

Young workers, who have never worked, or who come out of school after 1936, will get no consideration. The bill limits the amount of money which the worker can draw to 13 weeks

and reported that they would do "whatever the manufacturers in other cities do," therefore the Pacific Coast Furniture Manufacturers' Association will hold a meeting in San Francisco Friday to discuss the demands of the workers.

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## League of Workers

## Theatres To Hold

## Dist. Conference

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 3.—The Western District of the League of Workers' Theatres will hold its second district conference at 230 S. Spring street, Los Angeles, on Saturday, October 13.

The discussion at the conference will center about the raising of the political and artistic level of the groups, and the better coordination of their functions. The work of this district of the L.O.W.T. during the past year will be reported upon and discussed. Future organizational and artistic tasks will also be laid out.

Every workers' theatre group in the district, which comprises Washington, Oregon and California, is urged to send two delegates. Fraternal delegates are also welcome. Organizations intending to be represented at the conference should send in the names of their delegates not later than October 6th in order that proper accommodations may be arranged. L.O.W.T. headquarters are at 230 S. Spring street, Los Angeles, Calif.

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